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SUBJ: ALERT TO AMERICAN COMMUNITY

1. IN VIEW OF THE ONSET OF RAMAZAN AUGUST 3 AND THE
POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER DISTURBANCES IN IRAN, I HAVE
AUTHORIZED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO BE GIVEN TO THE
AMERICAN COMMUNITY.

QUOTE THE EVENING OF AUGUST 3 IS THE BEGINNING OF THE
MOSLEM HOLY MONTH OF RAMAZAN. A NUMBER OF RELIGIOUS
CEREMONIES WILL BE HELD AT VARIOUS TIMES FOR THE NEXT TWO
OR THREE DAYS. IN VIEW OF DISTURBANCES FOLLOWING RECENT
MEMORIAL SERVICES THE EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT AMERICANS
RESIDING IN TEHRAN AND OTHER CITIES AVOID AREAS WHERE
THERE ARE LIKELY TO BE LARGE PUBLIC GATHERINGS FOR THE
NEXT FEW DAYS. SUCH AREAS WOULD INCLUDE BAZAARS AND
MOSQUES. THERE IS NO SUGGESTION THAT ANY ACTIVITIES ARE
BEING DIRECTED AGAINST FOREIGNERS, BUT IN VIEW OF THE
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CIRCUMSTANCES WE BELIEVE PRUDENCE SUGGESTS A LOW PROFILE.
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2. I HAVE READ THE STATEMENT AND DISCUSSED THE GENERAL
SECURITY SITUATION WITH DARIUS BOYANDOR, THE PRIME MINISTER'S
SPECIAL ASSISTANT, AND HE SHOWED COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING

OF WHAT WE ARE DOING.

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